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S I R :

This is responsive to the Office Action mailed November 27, 2006, the term for response to which expires on January 27, 2007 (Saturday), which is automatically extended to Monday, January 29, 2007.

Amendments to the Claims are set forth in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Claims 1 and 4 are canceled; claims 2, 3, 5-8, 10-15 and 17-21 are amended; claims 9 and 16 are maintained; and claim 22 is added.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.